Shri Chaturvedi and his colleagues to ensure that the Joint Committee submits its Report expeditiously.

SHRI T.N. CHATURVEDI: Sir, I would like to assure the hon. Member that the Committee is doing its best and, I am sure, we will, certainly, be able to present our Report within the extended time that we have requested for. I would also like to say that all the Members of the Committee do share the sentiments that the hon. Member has expressed, which further strengthens the stand of the Government.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question is:

> "That the time appointed for presentation of the Report of the Joint Committee of the Houses on the Patents (Second Amendment) Bill, 1999, be extended upto the last day of the 194th Session of the Rajya Sabha."

The motion was adopted.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

THE COAST GUARD (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1996

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): Sir, I move for leave to withdraw the Coast Guard (Amendment) Bill, 1996.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

THE COAST GUARD (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): Sir, I move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Coast Guard Act, 1978.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Sir, I introduce the Bill.

THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PHARMACEUTICAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2001

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): Sir, I move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research Act, 1988.